

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed June 8, 2005, rejected Claims 1 and 3-6 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b). On the other hand, the Office Action indicated that Claim 2 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In response, applicant has canceled Claim 1 and amended Claim 2 in independent form including all of the limitations of its base Claim 1. Therefore, Claim 2 is believed to be allowable. Further, Claims 3-6 have been amended to all depend from allowable Claim 2 and, therefore, Claims 3-6, as amended, are also believed to be allowable.

Based on the foregoing, the present application including Claims 2-6, as amended, is believed to be in condition for allowance. If the Examiner should have further issues to resolve, he is invited to telephone applicant's undersigned attorney at the number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

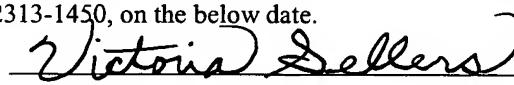
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